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Title: HIGH THROUGHPUT FLUORESCENCE-BASED SCREENING FOR
NOVEL ENZYMES (As Amended)

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Commissioner for Patents
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RESPONSE TO THE OFFICE ACTION

Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action mailed herein on October 1, 2004, please consider the following amendments and remarks.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page two of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page three of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page seven of this paper.

CERTIFICATION UNDER 37 CFR §1.8

I hereby certify that the documents referred to as enclosed herein are being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail on April 1, 2005, in an envelope addressed to: Mail Stop Amendment, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

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